

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

At page 1, beneath the title of the application, please add the following paragraph:

--Cross-Reference to Related Application(s)

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This application is a 371 of Application No. PCT/EP98/00294, filed January 20, 1998, which claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) to Application No. EP 97100883.4, filed January 21, 1997.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 26 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121, as follows:

26. An isolated peptide consisting of 40 to 200 amino acid residues, wherein the peptide comprises an amino acid sequence having 40 or more amino acids that are identical or homologous to an amino acid sequence selected from the group consisting of amino acid sequences:

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- of SEQ ID NO 1, beginning with the amino acid residue in any one of positions 1 to 5 and ending with the amino acid residue in any one of positions 40 to 104;
 - of SEQ ID NO 2, beginning with the amino acid residue in any one of positions 1 to 5 and ending with the amino acid residue in any one of positions 40 to 104;

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